

Under the leadership of Michael Powell the FCC has shown itself a fraud and an affront to the People of the United States of America. At every important moment you have sold us out to the corporate giants. Your decision not to press Sinclair Broadcasting's to not air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation and a clear example of your bias and your pandering.

I'm sure Sinclair did just fine by your expansion and relaxing of ownership laws.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.